

Government of Jammu and Kashmir have provided security to Molvi Mohammad Umar Farooq, Molvi Abbas Ansari, Prof. Ab. Gani Bhat, Shri Bilal Lone, Shri Saleem Geelani—all leaders of All Party Hurriyat Conference (A) and Shri Sajjad Gani Lone of Peoples' Conference.

(b) All the separatist groups in the State are opposed to the deployment of Army in the State and some are demanding secession of Kashmir from India.

(c) The expenditure on this account is incurred by the State Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

(d) Security to these leaders is provided by the State Government and it is for the State Government to review it.

(e) Does not arise in view of (d) above.

#### **Implementation of Arbitration Award in office of RGI**

1580. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Arbitration Award No. 1/98 dated 18th October, 1998 in respect of Pay Scale of Computers in the Department of Registrar General of India under the Scheme of JCM and Compulsory Arbitration has been implemented;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to implement this award?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) to (c) In accordance with the provisions in the scheme of Joint Consultative Machinery and Compulsory Arbitration, the Committee of Secretaries had considered the Award of the Board of Arbitration and decided to recommend its rejection in the interest of the national economy and social justice. The Government has accepted the recommendation of the Committee of Secretaries and moved for approval of the same in both the Houses of Parliament.